

M'HARG SENDS IN HIS RESIGNATION

Pres. Taft Promptly Accepts That of Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS CASE.

Pinchot-Ballinger Controversy Doubtless Had Something to Do With It. Drastic Action May be Taken.

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 29.—President Taft today accepted the resignation of Ormsby McHarg, assistant secretary of commerce and labor.

Secy. Nagel, head of the department, had a conference with President Taft today and discussed the question of a successor to McHarg.

Secy. Nagel received a letter from the assistant secretary saying that he must adhere to his first intention of remaining in the department only for six months. "This term will expire Sept. 4, and by that time Secy. Nagel hopes to be ready to announce the choice of a new assistant."

Mr. McHarg announced some time ago that he soon would engage in private business. In his letter to Secy. Nagel he says, however, that if a successor cannot be found by Sept. 4, he will continue in office until Oct. 1.

There was no one in Beverly today willing to say that Mr. McHarg's resignation was in any wise the result of the interview published in Washington last week in which he is credited with saying some sharp things about former President Roosevelt and his policy of forest conservation.

Mr. McHarg is said to have grown bitter over the free manner in which some of the government officials in Washington, generally known as the "Roosevelt element," have been criticizing members of the Taft administration.

Consequently, he is reported to have expressed his own views on the controversy started by Chief Forester Pinchot with Secy. Ballinger, declined here to be growing to such proportions that the president will have to take a hand.

Mr. Taft has been reluctant to take official cognizance of the controversy, which started at the irrigation congress in Spokane, continued through the Transmississippi conference at Denver and since then has been waged at the national capital. It seems now, however, that he would have to take a hand in the tangle.

President Taft also had with him today Secy. Knox and Secy. Meyer. It is said that the Pinchot-Ballinger controversy had a share in the discussion.

President Taft has no engagements to see Secy. Ballinger earlier than just

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prior to his arrival in Seattle on Sept. 29.

Mr. Ballinger has accepted an invitation to accompany the president on a large part of the latter's Pacific coast itinerary. The invitation was extended prior to the outbreak of the controversy and has no special significance.

It will offer an opportunity, however, for Mr. Ballinger to lay his case before the president.

In all matters affecting departments under the control of cabinet officers it has been the president's policy to uphold the cabinet members unflinchingly.

The president, while refusing to discuss the Pinchot-Ballinger controversy, has indicated that he hopes that no drastic action will be necessary.

Mr. Taft soon is to traverse the territory where the conservation plans are of supreme importance.

Secy. Nagel left for New York tonight to attend the first meeting of the president's law commission tomorrow. The commission is to consider amendments to the interstate commerce and anti-trust laws and to devise a system of more complete co-operation among the department of justice, the bureau of corporations in the department of commerce and labor, and the interstate commerce commission.

Mr. Nagel said before leaving that there was no political or other significance attached to Mr. McHarg's resignation. He said it was understood that Mr. McHarg, when he accepted the place, agreed to serve only six months.

McHARG'S STATEMENT.

Washington, Aug. 29.—When informed tonight that President Taft had decided to accept his resignation, Ormsby McHarg, assistant secretary of commerce and labor, merely stated that it had been in the president's hands for some time.

While declining to express an opinion as to whether he thought the acceptance had any connection with his attacks upon the forestry service, Mr. McHarg referred to an interview he had given earlier in the day in which he had declared that if any of the private views he had expressed were

considered embarrassing to President Taft in the slightest degree, he was ready to sever his connection with the government immediately.

Mr. McHarg vigorously denied the reference to the interview on conservation in a local paper last week. He appeared particularly anxious to repudiate this statement printed under his name.

"Maybe Roosevelt thought he was the Lord. He acted like it around here for a good many years," he said. "Mr. McHarg declared that the statements he had made were not to be regarded as an expression from the present administration, but merely as venting his own private views as a western man."

It was with considerable reluctance, he declared, that he accepted his position, but had done so because of his strong personal regard for Secy. Nagel. After entering upon his work, he said, he had told Secy. Nagel he would retire in six months. On Oct. 1, he said, it was, and is, his intention to enter a law partnership in New York.

Mr. McHarg is a native of South Dakota, and was engaged in the practice of law on the Pacific coast before coming to Washington several years ago with Senator McCumber. For some time he held a position in the senate. About three years ago he became an assistant attorney in the department of justice. He had charge of Mr. Taft's interests during the last campaign in contests filed with the Republican national committee.

BALLINGER HURRYING BACK.

Seattle, Aug. 29.—Secy. of the Interior Richard A. Ballinger hurriedly left Seattle for Washington tonight. Before leaving he said:

"Department affairs have made it necessary for me to change my plans and go at once to Washington."

Secy. Ballinger was seen at the railroad station by a representative of the Associated Press. He said that he had not been called east by the president.

"Emergency matters have arisen in the department which make it necessary to lay aside my plans and go to Washington. It is not the result of a message from the president. I have practically completed my inspection of the irrigation projects, and can lay aside my plans without difficulty."

I have been away from Washington two months, and during that time matters have arisen that require my personal attention. I will probably return to Seattle with the president's party. I cannot discuss the emergency that calls me east."

Mr. Ballinger was informed of the resignation of Ormsby McHarg, assistant secretary of the department of commerce and labor. He said he was not conversant with Mr. McHarg's action, as he was a member of another department. He said that it was his understanding, however, that Mr. McHarg had entered the department with the intention of remaining only a short time as he had made arrangements to go into business in the fall.

Secy. Ballinger evinced a desire to convey the impression that he was not contemplating severing his relations with the administration, by saying that he hoped to make a trip to Alaska next summer. "I believe the president wishes to go along," said the secretary in discussing the matter.

Although Secy. Ballinger said that he decided yesterday to go east tonight, the matter was kept a secret until 30 minutes before his train left, when his private secretary telephoned to the Associated Press office and announced that Mr. Ballinger was leaving for Washington at once.

PINCHOT IS MUM.

Portland, Or., Aug. 29.—Gifford Pinchot, chief forester, when shown the dispatch from Washington, stating that Asst. Secy. of Commerce and Labor Ormsby McHarg had resigned, declined to make any statement on the subject whatever.

AMERICAN HUMORISTS.

Will be No Merry-Making on "Bob Burdette Day" Sept. 11.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 30.—Merry-making will cease for one day at the American Press Humorists' seventh annual convention, Buffalo, N. Y., this year, as a mark of love and sympathy for the "perpetual parson and pastor emeritus" of the occasion, Rev. Robert J. Burdette, D. D., who is seriously ill at his home near this city. The suggestion, made by Frank T. Seagrath of Los Angeles, president of the humorists, met with full approval of the fun writers, and Acting Secy. John D. Well at Buffalo, has arranged to call Saturday, Sept. 11, "Bob Burdette day," at which time the humorists will write post-cards and other forms of messages of good cheer to Burdette. The convention, which begins Sept. 1, will be noted for a visit to the home of Robert Hubbard and luncheon and dinner by the former to the funny fellows at Roycroft Inn on one of the occasions the citizens of East Aurora, N. Y., will be present.

The program as announced by President Seagrath includes trips to Niagara and Canada, yacht races especially for the humorists, banquets, theater parties and a day at the Hamburg country fair.

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CHICAGO POLICE GET AFTER LUCY PARSONS

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LANDING PASSENGERS KEEP CUSTOMS OFFICERS BUSY

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and on the plays they were working all right examining the baggage of the 3,450 cabin passengers who had arrived during the day. Collector of the Port William Loeb, accompanied by Asst. Secy. of the Treasury James D. Reynolds, witnessed the operation of his new customs regulations and the several hundred inspectors under his watchful eye saw that a minimum of foreign merchandise was smuggled into the port.

In addition to the 1,024 cabin passengers on the George Washington, the Columbia landed 501 from Glasgow, the Cedric 725, and the Cleveland 895, and Touraine 305, all cabin passengers. The passengers were handled expeditiously and under the eye of the collector.

FRANCIS H. LEGGETT DEAD.

New York, Aug. 30.—The sudden death is announced of Francis H. Leggett, head of Francis H. Leggett & Co., one of the largest wholesale and importing houses of groceries, teas and coffees in the United States. Mr. Leggett, who was identified with many commercial organizations throughout the country, was on the way to his country home in New Jersey when he was stricken by heart failure at the West Shore railroad station in Vee-hawken. He was dead before the ambulance reached the hospital. Besides his extensive grocery business, Mr. Leggett was a director of several banks and commercial institutions.

FIGHT OVER A CLAM.

Two Men Dying from Bullet Wounds As Result of It.

New York, Aug. 30.—Nicholas Nicetas and Nicholas Loran are dying in the hospital with two bullets in each of their bodies because Frank Artiaos believed that Nicetas should have sold him five clams in his restaurant for five cents instead of four. Artiaos' efforts to obtain the fifth clam resulted in a fight in which he fired 10 shots at the restaurant keeper and Loran, who attempted to stop him. A policeman captured Artiaos while he was reloading his two pistols to continue the fusillade.

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